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Memorandum for: The Director

From: Legislative Counsel

Subject: Inquiry from Senator Hayden

1. In addition to the questions which Senator Hayden desires answered in connection with the CIA printing program, set forth in a separate memorandum to you, he informed Colonel Baird that he had some objection to a State Department publication entitled "Let Freedom Ring". Evidently because it involved color printing it was necessary to submit this publication to the Joint Congressional Committee on Printing for approval. Senator Hayden objected to it on the basis that to him it represented an official Government position bordering on warmongering.

2. In view of his concern regarding the text of the pamphlet, the Senator talked to Assistant Secretary of State Barrett and received the impression in reply to his questions that CIA was aware of or had approved the publication. Secretary Barrett states that Senator Hayden asked him whether General Smith had seen the publication, to which he states he replied, "No, but some of his boys had."

3. Investigation reveals that no one in CIA has seen the publication "Let Freedom Ring", but State will make it available if desired. The publication actually was prepared by representatives of the advertising industry, after a meeting with President Truman, for publication by State.

4. It is recommended that the Director inform Senator Hayden that no one in CIA has seen this publication and that, as it is evidently intended primarily for internal U. S. dissemination, there seems to be little reason for State to have shown it to us in advance. In addition, it would place CIA in a difficult position if it were necessary for us to review State Department publications other than those which are naturally coordinated through the PSB or Secretary Barrett's Coordinating Committee (POCC).

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